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E.O. 11652: GDS 12/31/73

TAGS: MARR, NL

SUBJ: UN MIDDLE EAST EMERGENCY FORCE

REF: STATE 211411

1. FOREIGN MINISTER VAN DER STOEL SAID IN PARLIAMENT OCTOBER 25 THAT SHOULD UN REQUEST GON CONTRIBUTION TO UNEF DUTCH WOULD RESPOND POSITIVELY PROVIDING ARABS AND ISRAEL ALSO AGREE TO DUTCH PARTICIPATION. FONMIN SAID GON WILL TAKE NO INITIATIVES BUT AWAIT POSSIBLE UN REQUEST.

2. DUTCH MILITARY SOURCES ADVISE THAT GON HAS 1300 MEN DESIGNATED AND TRAINED FOR POSSIBLE SERVICE IN UNEF. DUTCH FORCE CONSISTS OF 600 MARINES WITH TRANSPORT SHIPS AND HELICOPTERS, ARMORED INFANTRY BATTALION, MEDICAL COMPANY, MILITARY POLICE DETACHMENT AND TRANSPORTATION TEAM OF THE ROYAL NETHERLANDS AIR FORCE CONSISTING OF FOKKER FRIENDSHIP AIRCRAFT AND HELICOPTERS WITH CREWS. GON TRIES TO STAFF THIS FORCE WITH VOLUNTEERS RATHER THAN DRAFTEES. DUTCH UN TROOP CONTINGENT HAS NEVER BEEN USED ON LARGE SCALE, BUT IN PAST UN HAS USED DUTCH MILITARY AIR TRANSPORT AND DUTCH MILITARY OBSERVERS.

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3. CONCEIVABLY GON MIGHT BE ABLE PROVIDE ENTIRE FORCE DESIGNATED FOR UN OPERATIONS AND MEET LIFT REQUIREMENTS BY USING NATIONAL MILITARY AND CIVILIAN (KLM) RESOURCES. WE EXPECT, HOWEVER, GON WOULD PROVIDE ONLY CERTAIN UNITS OF ITS UN DESIGNATED FORCE AND MIGHT ALSO REQUEST US AIR LIFT ASSISTANCE IF HEAVY EQUIPMENT REQUIRED. IF GON SUPPLIED COMPANY SIZE UNITS, ITS FORCE OF 10 F27'S WOULD PROBABLY BE ADEQUATE FOR ZPERSONNEL TRANSPORT.

4. AMBASSADOR HAS APPOINTMENT WITH FOREIGN MINISTER AT 1415 TODAY AND CAN EXPECT FURTHER DETAILS ON WHAT GON WILL DO IF ASKED.
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